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- The petition filed _____ under 37 CFR 1.312(b) is granted. The paper has been forwarded to the examiner for consideration on the merits.

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- The amendment filed 7/3/00 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:

- entered.
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 disapproved. See explanation below.
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